

## Senate Resolution 696

By: Senators Staton of the 18th and Brown of the 26th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Le Kevin Smith; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Le Kevin Smith has established himself as a stellar football player and has  
3 a promising career ahead of him in the National Football League; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith graduated from Stratford Academy in 2001, where his aggressive  
5 and skilled performances on the football field earned him the titles of Macon City Player of  
6 the Year, Region 1-AAA Player of the Year, and the Macon Touchdown Club's Georgia  
7 Player of the Year; and

8 WHEREAS, his football abilities earned him a spot on the First Team All-State, the  
9 All-Middle Georgia First Team, First Team All-USA Nose Tackle from *USA Today*, and the  
10 Bigger, Faster, Stronger's First Team All-American; and

11 WHEREAS, also an accomplished high school track star, Mr. Smith was the Middle Georgia  
12 Track Athlete of the Year, was a four-time discus state champion and record holder, and was  
13 a two-time shot put state champion and state record holder; and

14 WHEREAS, upon his graduation from high school, Mr. Smith attended the University of  
15 Nebraska on a football scholarship and recorded 36 tackles behind the line of scrimmage for  
16 the Huskies, seventh best in the school's history; and

17 WHEREAS, highlights of Mr. Smith's collegiate football career include a 14 yard  
18 interception return, 172 recorded career tackles, 20 quarterback pressures in four years, was  
19 recognized with an honorable mention by the Associated Press All-Big 12 Conference, and  
20 was named to the 2003 Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll; and

21 WHEREAS, after earning a bachelor's degree in construction management, Mr. Smith was  
22 drafted in the sixth round by the New England Patriots, recording a sack in Super Bowl XLII  
23 in 2008; and

24 WHEREAS, the outstanding achievements and dedication displayed by Mr. Smith serve as  
25 an example to all Georgians, and his many accomplishments are worthy of recognition by  
26 this body.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
28 recognize Mr. Le Kevin Smith for his amazing football career, commend him on reaching  
29 his dream of playing in the NFL, and congratulate him on his Super Bowl appearance.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Le Kevin Smith.